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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

APPLICANT: Dapprich et al.
SERIAL NUMBER: 09/735,099 EXAMINER: Betty J. Forman
FILING DATE: December 11, 2000 ART UNIT: 1632
FOR: METHOD FOR SELECTIVELY ISOLATING A NUCLEIC ACID

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Commissioner for Patents
P. O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Request for Continued Examination Under 37 CFR § 1.114

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR § 1.114 of the above-identified application. This RCE is being filed subsequent to the Notice of Appeal filed April 14, 2003 but prior to filing an Appeal Brief. The additional elements required for the RCE are listed below (Items 1 and 2), as well as a petition for extension of time and a fee for the extension (Items 3 and 4):

1. Response to December 12, 2002 Office Action (19 pgs.);
2. Check # 17537 for \$385.00 for the RCE;
3. Petition for Extension of Time (1 pg., in duplicate);
4. Check # 17538 for \$1,005.00 (Extension); and
5. Return Postcard.

With the extension, these documents are due on or before November 14, 2003. The Commissioner is authorized to charge any additional fees that may be due, or credit any overpayment of same, to Deposit Account No. 50-0311, Reference No. 22650-001 CIP. A duplicate copy of this Request is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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